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The Assignee is Matsushita Dectric Industrial Co., Ltd.

The extent of the interest in this invention that the Assignee owns is in the whole of this invention, by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/594,152, filed June 12, 2000 and Serial No. 09/631,542, filed August 3, 2000.

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The fee of \$110.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) is submitted herewith.

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